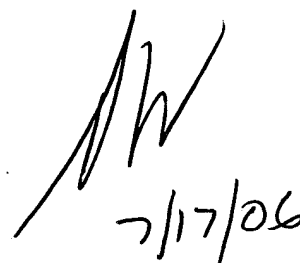


IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE	
In re application of: Raminderpal Singh, et al.	Date: July 12, 2006
Serial Number: 10/807,478	Examiner: Stacy Whitmore
Filed: 3/23/2004	Group Art Unit: 2825
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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action dated April 19, 2006, the following Amendment is being submitted to place the above-identified application in prima facie condition for allowance.

Kindly amend the following claims and consider the following Remarks: